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TOWN OF MORINVILLE

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The 1986 municipal census for the Town of Morinville was conducted as part of the Edmonton Metropolitan Regional Planning Commission's standardized municipal census program. This program operates as a joint effort between the Commission and the municipality, with the municipality responsible for the field collection of the census data and the Commission responsible for processing the data.

This report provides the highlights from the information reported about the Morinville population on May 1, 1986.

. The population of the Town of Morinville was reported to be 5,293 on May 1, 1986, a modest increase of 20 persons (0.4%) over the last previous census in 1984.

Total Population

1986	5,293	
1984	5,273	
Change	+20	(0.4%)

. The Town contained a total of 1,691 dwellings, of which 1,543 were occupied on the census date. The 148 unoccupied dwellings amount to a vacancy rate of 8.8%.

Dwellings

Occupied	1,543	91.2%
Vacant	148	8.8%
Total	1,691	100.0%

. Over three fourths of the dwelling units in Morinville are single detached; a similar proportion are owned or being purchased by the occupants. The average household size varies, depending on the dwelling type. Single detached homes contained an average of 3.53 persons, duplexes 3.74, apartments 1.77 and mobile homes 3.30. The average for all dwelling types was 3.4 persons.

Dwelling Type

Single Detached	1,330	78.7%
Apartment	140	8.3%
Row House	71	4.2%
Triplex/Quadruplex	56	3.3%
Mobile Home	42	2.5%
Semi-detached	38	2.2%
Others	14	0.8%
Total	1,691	100.0%

Dwelling Ownership

Owned	1,236	73.1%
Rented	299	17.7%
Not Stated*	156	9.2%
Total	1,691	100.0%

* includes 148 vacant dwellings.

. Morinville's household composition suggests a strong family orientation with fewer than 10 percent of households containing only 1 person. Nearly half of all households contain three or four people. Most of these are husband/wife families with one or two children.

Household Size*

One Person	134	8.7%
Two People	331	21.5%
Three People	286	18.5%
Four People	473	30.7%
Five People	233	15.1%
Six or More People	86	5.6%
Total	1,543	100.0%

* based on 1,543 occupied households

. Males are slightly more numerous than females in the Morinville population.

Sex

Male	2,695	50.9%
Female	2,567	48.5%
Not Stated	31	0.6%
Total	5,293	100.0%

. Morinville has a young population; the median age is 25.2 years. The proportion of elderly people is very low.

Age and Sex

	Male		Female	
0 - 4	386	7.3%	313	5.9%
5 - 14	584	11.0%	572	10.8%
15 - 19	184	3.5%	172	3.2%
20 - 24	138	2.6%	158	3.0%
25 - 44	1,020	19.3%	1,010	19.1%
45 - 64	250	4.7%	209	3.9%
65+	94	1.8%	101	1.9%
Total*	5,293	100.0%		

* includes 39 males and 32 females for whom aged was not stated, and 31 persons for whom neither age nor sex was stated.

. Despite the small amount of population growth since mid-1984, nearly 30 percent of the 1986 population of Morinville has moved within the last two years. However, the Town also has a large, residentially-stable component; nearly 40 percent of the population has lived in their present residence for at least 5 years.

Length of Residence in Present Dwelling Unit

Less than 1 year*	1,325	25.0%
1 to < 2 years	506	9.6%
2 to < 5 years	1,342	25.4%
5 to < 10 years	1,500	28.3%
10 or more years	565	10.7%
Not Stated	55	1.0%
Total	5,293	100.0%

* includes 117 babies less than 1 year old.

. Of the 1,208 people who have changed residences in the last year, 436 or 36.1 percent moved within Morinville. A large proportion (22.9 percent) moved from Edmonton, and a further 11.8 percent came from St. Albert. Generally speaking, the changes of residence cover relatively short distance moves.

Place of Residence 1 Year Ago

Same dwelling unit	3,913	73.9%
Different dwelling in Morinville	436	8.2%
Edmonton	277	5.2%
St. Albert	143	2.7%
M.D. of Sturgeon	100	1.9%
Elsewhere in Edmonton Metro	19	0.4%
Alberta, outside Edmonton Metro	130	2.5%
Other province	87	1.6%
Other country	16	0.3%
Not applicable*	117	2.2%
Not stated	55	1.0%
Total	5,293	100.0%

* babies less than 1 year of age.

. Nearly 41 percent of Morinville's total population reported themselves employed either full or part-time. The 182 unemployed persons, when considered in relation to the labour force population aged 15 years and over, amounts to an unemployment rate of 5.5 percent.

Employment Status

Employed Full-time	1,815	34.3%
Employed Part-time	339	6.4%
Homemaker	516	9.7%
Unemployed	182	3.4%
Unable to Work	19	0.4%
Retired	218	4.1%
Student	271	5.1%
Other	18	0.3%
Not Applicable*	1,869	35.3%
Not Stated	46	0.9%
Total	5,293	100.0%

* includes all persons under 15 years of age.

. Of the 2,154 employed persons, 30 percent work in Morinville, 44.3 percent commute to work in Edmonton, and 12.1 percent are employed in St. Albert.

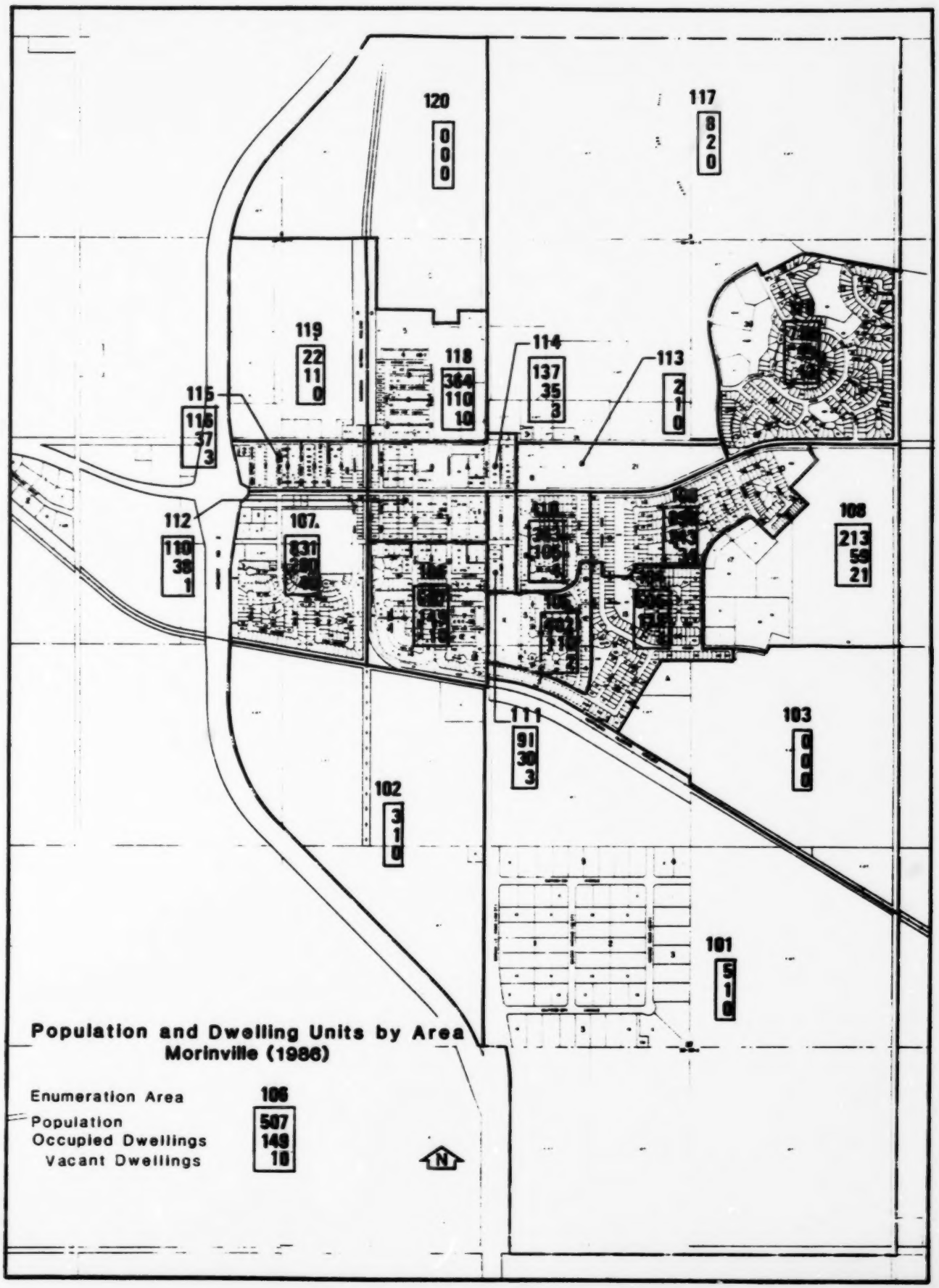
Place of Employment*

At Home	76	1.4%
Elsewhere in Morinville	571	10.8%
Edmonton	955	18.0%
St. Albert	261	4.9%
M.D. of Sturgeon	97	1.8%
Fort Saskatchewan	31	0.6%
Elsewhere in Edmonton Metro	42	0.8%
Elsewhere Outside Edmonton Metro	118	2.2%
Not Applicable	3,093	58.4%
Not Stated	49	0.9%
Total	5,293	100.0%

* location identified for both full and part-time employees.

The attached map shows the small area distribution of population and dwelling units, both occupied and vacant. It is important to have information for the whole community, but often, in making decisions, one wants to know about the characteristics of parts of the community, and how one part compares with another part. The kinds of information provided earlier in this report can also be generated for the parts of Morinville shown on the map. In this way, the information can be used to answer a lot of questions and make many decisions at the neighbourhood, as well as municipal, levels. Here are some examples:

- what is the best location for a new pre-school age childrens' playground?
- how many elementary school aged children are generated in a new subdivision in town?
- are there more working mothers or lone parent families in some parts of town than in others?
- are the families in a new subdivision moving from within town, or from another community?
- how many children are likely to be entering kindergarten or grade 1 next fall?
- when is a new school likely to be needed?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Population and Dwelling Units by Area
Morinville (1986)
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